

REGULAR MEETING - JUNE 25, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this the 25th day of June, A.D., 2020, there was begun and held a REGULAR MEETING of the Honorable Commissioners Court of Nueces County, Texas, wherein the following members thereof were present, to-wit:

BARBARA CANALES	COUNTY JUDGE
CAROLYN VAUGHN	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
JOE A. GONZALEZ	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
JOHN MAREZ	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
BRENT CHESNEY	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

and KARA SANDS, COUNTY CLERK of Nueces County, Texas, wherein the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

1. CALL TO ORDER

- A.** Pastor Henry Williams led in the Invocation.
- B.** Commissioner Gonzalez led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America and Texas Flags.
- C.** County Judge Canales called the Regular Meeting to order at 9:17 a.m. and certified that a quorum was present. The meeting was held in the Commissioners Courtroom located at 901 Leopard Street, on the 3rd floor of the Nueces County Courthouse.
- D.** SAFETY BRIEFING was given by Timothy Everest.
- E.** GENERAL INFORMATION REPORTS:
 - 1.** The Court discussed the COVID 19 response, plans for COVID 19 testing, alternative care sites, Isolation and Community Protection Sites (Isofac), amended Orders, testing of County Employees, Health District contract (overtime) with the City of Corpus Christi, and activities related to area economy recovery, hurricane preparedness; received an update from the Nueces County Emergency Operations Center.
 - 2.** The Court approved overtime pursuant to County policy for essential exempt employees during a declared disaster as it relates to COVID-19 response; in addition, considered such request for Health District employees, including the Department Director.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Marez

Motion: To bring overtime hours to the next agenda to be paid.

Vote: 3 - 2 Approved

Against: Commissioner Gonzalez
Commissioner Chesney

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez
Motion: To reflect motion not germane to the agenda, not adequately posted.

F. Approve the following Minutes:

- 1.** The Court accepted Commissioners Court Minutes of June 10, 2020.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

G. Adopt the following Resolution(s), Proclamation(s), and/or Order(s):

- 1.** The Court recognized July 2020 as Cleft and Craniofacial Awareness Prevention Month.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Marez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

H. BOARD APPOINTMENTS:

- 1.** The Court appointed Carl Hill to the board of Emergency Services District #3.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Marez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT:** Was given by Hugo Berlanga, Douglas Wells, Ashley Wilkey, Robert Ramirez, Robert Gutierrez, Eric Tunchez, Commissioner Marez, Commissioner Vaughn for Pastor Mike and Commissioner Vaughn.

3. CONSENT AGENDA:

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

Motion: To approve Consent Agenda items A-G and I-J.

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

- A.** Authorize payment of bills - regular bill summaries dated June 03, 2020, June 05, 2020, June 12, 2020, June 15, 2020, and June 19, 2020.

- B.** Authorize payment of bills - manual check registers dated June 02, 2020 to June 15, 2020.

- C.** Authorize payment of bills - special motions list dated June 24, 2020.

- D.** Authorize payment of bills - group health insurance claims and fees by Boon Chapman dated April 02 and 09, 2020

- E.** Approve and accept donation to the county in accordance with LGC 81.032.

- F.** Approve Diabetes Contracts for FY 2019-2020:
1. Wesley Community Center - \$2,000 - Commissioner Pct. #3.
 2. Catholic Charities Diabetes Contract - \$1,000.00-Commissioner Pct. #2 - \$2,000.00-Commissioner Pct. #3.

- G.** Approve "Outside Agency" contract with the Je'Sani Smith Foundation for FY 2019-2020
1. Total Allocation from Commissioner Pct. 4 - \$5,000

- H.** The Court ratified the submission of a grant application to the Ed Rachal Foundation; and ratified the acceptance of a check from the Ed Rachal Foundation for the office build out costs associated with the Nueces County Industrial Commission, also known as the Nueces County Development Commission.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Marez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

- I.** Nominate Nueces County Judge for the Regional Flood Planning group of the Texas Water Development Board.

- J.** Appoint Nueces County Judge as representative to Public Power Pool (P3); adopt resolution.

- K.** The Court approved the following Tax Deeds and highest minimum bids to date:
1. Lot 2, Block 4, Rancho Amistad (CR 44 @ FM 666, Banquete), in the amount of \$5,000.00
 2. Lot 3, Block 4, Rancho Amistad (CR 44 @ FM 666, Banquete), in the amount of \$5,000.00
 3. Lot 7, Block 4, Rancho Amistad (CR 44 @ FM 666, Banquete), in the amount of \$5,000.00
 4. Lot 6, Block 5, Rancho Amistad (CR 44 @ FM 666, Banquete), in the amount of \$5,000.00
 5. Lot 7, Block 5, Rancho Amistad (CR 44 @ FM 666, Banquete), in the amount of \$5,000.00
 6. Lot 8, Block 5, Rancho Amistad (CR 44 @ FM 666, Banquete), in the amount of \$5,000.00
 7. Lot 9, Block 5, Rancho Amistad (CR 44 @ FM 666, Banquete), in the amount of \$5,000.00
 8. Lot 10, Block 5, Rancho Amistad (CR 44 @ FM 666, Banquete), in the amount of \$5,000.00
 9. Lots 19 and 20, Block 2, San Pedro Addition to Robstown (831-833 W Avenue E, Robstown), in the amount of \$4,000.00
 10. 0.325 acre, more or less, out of the NE ¼ of Section 17, G H Paul Subdivision (643 Petronila Rd, Robstown), in the amount of \$10,000.00

Clerk's Note: The Court recessed at 12:35 p.m. to convene into the Special Meeting. The Court reconvened into Regular Session at 1:50 p.m.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

4. REGULAR AGENDA:

A. AGENDA ITEMS

1. The Court received a presentation from Blakely Fernandez, Bracewell, LLP, on Program Management and related benefits.
2. The Court approved a contract with Lockwood, Andrews and Newnam, LLC. for RFP No. 3122-20 Program Management of Nueces County 2019 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Projects.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: County Judge Canales

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

3. The Court discussed financial alternatives with Noe Hinojosa of Estrada, Hinojosa & Company.
4. Discuss and consider execution of a lease agreement with Driscoll Children Hospital's permitting use of the Calderon Building for Driscoll's Women, Infants, and Children's (WIC) Food Nutrition Program.

Motion by: Commissioner Marez, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

Motion: Item tabled until July 15, 2020.

5. The Court discussed Courthouse Security Badge I.D. Cards, related matters; and authorized procurement method(s).
6. The Court designated the Nueces County Tax Assessor-Collector as the official to calculate the no-new-revenue tax rate (effective rate); the voter-approval tax rate (rollback rate) and the notice-and-hearing limit in accordance with Chapter 26 of the Texas Tax Code.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

7. The Court discussed Game Room Regulations in accordance with Chapter 234 of the Texas Local Government Code; authorized County Attorney to proceed with attached model regulations.

Motion by: Commissioner Chesney, Second by: Commissioner Gonzalez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

8. The Court authorized premiums with Texas Association of Counties for Law Enforcement Liability via County Broker of Record, Carlisle Insurance.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Marez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

9. The Court approved a letter agreement with Coastal Environments, Incorporated (CEI) for professional services, including environmental and permitting services related to the North Beach Improvement Project (TIRZ#4).

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Chesney

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

10. The Court discussed placing Personnel Change Reports on the Commissioners Court Agenda for approval by the Nueces County Commissioners Court.

B. GRANTS

1. The Court discussed recent updates to the grant application to the Texas Division of Emergency Management for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program in relation to the Courthouse Complex Emergency Generator.
2. The Court received an update from Maria Bedia regarding potential application(s) for the Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) funding available through the Texas General Land Office (GLO); and discussed and considered setting a date and time for a public hearing regarding the County’s application(s).

C. PUBLIC WORKS

1. The Court approved Change Order No. 2 for the Nueces County Courthouse ADA-Site Improvement Project.

Motion by: County Judge Canales, Second by: Commissioner Vaughn

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

D. PURCHASING

1. The Court awarded IFB No. 3130-20 Aggregate Type B Grade 3S, LRA to Vulcan Materials Company.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: County Judge Canales

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

2. The Court awarded IFB No. 3131-20 Aggregate Type B Grade 4S, LRA to Vulcan Materials Company.

Motion by: Commissioner Vaughn, Second by: Commissioner Chesney

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

E. AUDITOR

1. The Court approved Budget Change Order No. 16 for Fiscal Year 2019-2020.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Marez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

2. The Court approved the monthly financial report for the month of April 2020.

Motion by: Commissioner Gonzalez, Second by: Commissioner Marez

Vote: 5 - 0 Approved

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION: PUBLIC NOTICE: No Executive Session.

- A. Consult with County Attorney on Courthouse Security Badge I.D.'s and related matters. No Action Taken.

The Court was adjourned at 4:02 p.m. in memory of Harold Charles Kaffie Jr., Richard Allen Hedges, Anna Maria Campos, Manuel Bazan, Maria Davila Martinez, Adela Marines, Paul Rivera, Gloria Y. Barrera, Martin Leal, and Estefana Leal.

There being no further business to come before the Court, it is ordered that this meeting does now stand adjourned, this the 25th day of June, 2020.

I, Kara Sands, County Clerk of Nueces County and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court, do certify that the following Regular Meeting Minutes for June 25, 2020, are a true and correct record of the proceedings.

Kara Sands, County Clerk
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the
Commissioners Court of Nueces County, Texas